

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of:

Houston	Docket No.:	TI-28032
Serial No.: Divisional of 09/661,659	Examiner:	TBD
Filed: Herewith	Art Unit:	TBD
For: SEMICONDUCTOR DEVICE WITH FULLY SELF-ALIGNED LOCAL INTERCONNECTS, AND METHOD FOR FABRICATING THE DEVICE		

Preliminary Amendment

Assistant Commissioner of Patents
Washington, DC 20231

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Dear Sir:

Please enter the following amendments prior to examination of the instant application.

In the Specification:

Please amend the specification by inserting before the first line the sentence:

--This is a divisional application of Serial No. 09/661,659 filed 09/14/00, which is a non-provisional application claiming priority of provisional application number 60/161,651 filed 10/20/99.--

In the Claims:

Please cancel Claims 1-17.